

THE EDITOR'S PAGE

A Chat

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The Gadget Man, Nick Carter, The Avenger, Carrie Cashin and Bill Barnes have all been tested before being offered to you in pictures.

Last month our contest was for those who are detective-minded—who like to solve mysteries. Remember Carrie's conversation with Drucker? That proved that Richard Kenmore was without relativos. Theretore, the kidñaping was obviously a fake, a ruse to get Carrie off the trail. So, what would be more natural than for Richard Kenmore to be "High Jack." Prizes will be sent to winners shortly.

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ALONE,
THE SHADOW
REMOLDS THE
FACE OF
LAMONT
CRANSTON
INTO THAT
OF THE
MISSING
INSURANCE
MAGNATE
LINCOLN
BREELIII





STEPS OF BREEL'S MANSION UNLOCK THE DOOR WITH A STRANGE KEY.











AS DRUNE SPEAKS, MIGHTY FLAMES BURST FROM BREELS MANSION

HEARING
THE ROAR
OF FIRE,
THE SHADOW
MIXES TWO
CHEMICAL
POWDERS,
HURLS THEM
AT THE
DOOR AND
BLASTS IT





DRUNE'S SERVANTS
THE SALAMANDERS
HAVE COME
FROM THE
CELLAR WHERE
THEY STARTED
THE FIRE.
WEARING
ASBESTOS
DIVING SUITS
INFLATED WITH
COOLED AIR
THEY ATTACK
THE SHADOW
WITH
WITH
THE SHADOW
BLOW-TORCHES!

SHADOW COMICS













GUIDED BY THE ASBESTOS HOSE, THE SHADOW REACHES THE EXIT USED BY THE ALAMANDERS, HALF A BLOCK AWAY.

















THE OIL-FILLED WATER TANK SPURTS GALLONS OF FUEL ON THE BREEZE SWEPT FLAMES







SHUNTED
AHEAD, THE
DYNAMITE
CAR BLASTS
THE OLD
FREIGHT
STATION
LITERALLY
HURLING
BACK THE
FLAMES
FROM THE
BANK !!!



DROPPING THROUGH TORN FOUNDATIONS OF THE OLD FREIGHT STATION, THE SHADOW-













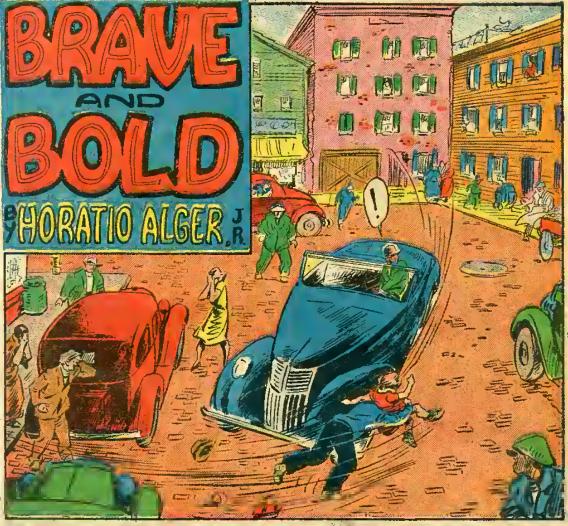














AND JUST BEFORE DIVING AT THE CHILD-I SAW HER DART OUTFOR HER BALL FROM BETWEEN TWO PARKED CARS! IT WAS INFOSSIBLE FOR THE GENTLEMAN TO SEE HER IN TIME -



LATER-BRUCE WALLACE HAS SUCCEEDED IN EXONERATING MR. JONES, DRIVER OF THE CAR, WHO-IN ADMIRATION OF BRUCE'S COURAGE AND IN GENERAL APPRECIATION-CONTINUES —























EARLY EVENING-WADDIE WIMPLETON-INCENSED BY HIS INCREASING HATRED FOR BRUCE-SES HIS CHANCE FOR REVENGE AS BRUCE'S BROTHER IS ABOUT TO DELIVER THE WIMPLETON WASH



THAT WAY! MAYBE THIS LI MAKE YITAKE THAT WAY! MAYBE THIS LI MAKE YITAKE THAT WASH BACK! Y'LITTLE GUTTER SNIPE!



















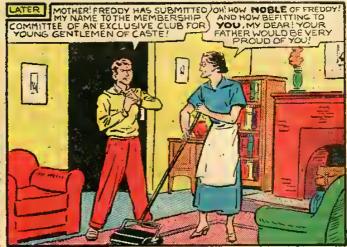






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VERY WELL! IF YOU NEED THE THANK YOU!
MONEY THAT BADLY-HERE WITH PLEASURE
IT IS! NOW GET OFF THE MRS. WIMPLETON
PROPERTY! MRS. WIMPLETON



YES! ISN'T IT WONDERFUL.) TWENTY DOLLARS!
MOTHER! AND ALL I'LL NEED WADDIE! WHERE
FOR THE INITIATION ARE WE GOING TO
ISTWENTY DOLLARS! GET THAT AMOUNT!? WITH
JUS' THINK, I—
GROCER DEMANDING PRYMENT.

WITH HIS PROSPECTOF MEMBERSHIP FAOING BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES-WADDIE SEEKS THE ADVICE OF FREDDY P





S-A-Y THAT DOES CHANGE THINGS, DOESN'T IT! AN' HOW WELL FRAME HIM! HE BELONGS IN JAIL ANYWAY! LISTEN! THE END JUSTIFIES THE MEANS! ALL FM THINKIN' OF IN REGARDS TO THAT OFFICE IS-SQUARIN' THINGS UP WITH BRUCE-THE BEGGAR!











PRIDE IN REFERENCE TO THEIR 'CLEVERNESS' IN DRAWING BRUCE FROM THE OFFICE-GRATIFICATION IN THEIR DESIRE FOR REVENGE-AND JOYFUL ANTICE-PATION OF BRUCE'S PROBABLE RESULTANT JAIL SENTENCE ARE MOMENTARILY FORGOTTEN BY FREODY AND WADDIE ON THEIR ARRIVAL AT THE CLUB FOR THE BUSINESS OF INDUCTING WADDIE AS MEMBER

AN'HERE'S THE MONEY FOR MY TOULARS! THAT'S RIGHT! THANK YOU MRE WIMPLETON! YOU ARE NOW A FIRST DEGREE MEMBER OF THE EXCLUSIVE CLUB FOR YOUNG GENTLEMEN OF CASTE!

CONGRATULATIONS MR. WIMPLETON!





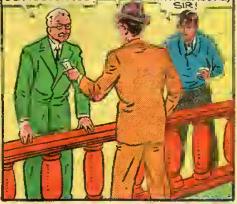








NO, MR. WIMPLETON) WHY-YES! JUST TELLHIM THAT ISN'T HERE RICHT WE CAN'T ACCEPT THIS NOW AND WONTH COUNTERFEIT TWENTY DE FOR SEVERAL DOLLAR BILL AT OUR YOURS! ANYTHING CLUB!



WADDIE HAS YES AND IT WON'T BE A VERY LAND TO BE EITHER! AWAITING HIM. HENIENCY AND AS FOR AWAITING HIM.



I'M COMPELLING YOU TO ACCEPT OH! THANK YOU, SIR! NOW AN INCREASE IN SALARY MOTHER AND FRANK CAN MOTHER AND THANK YOU, SIR! NOW MOTHER AND I CAN SIR! NOW AND YOU CAN BLAME YOUR AND I CAN START SAVING KEEN OBSERVATION AND GENERAL INTELLIGENCE FORIT! FOR COLLEGE!

LATER UNABLE TO FIND EMPLOYMENT ANVWHERE, WADDIE AND HIS THEIR HOVE LOST THEIR HOME AND ARE NOW LIVING EARNINGS

DON'T MISS THE NEXT ALGER BOY STORY TO APPEAR IN





A KNOCK SOUNDS ON HIS DOOR







THE HEXT DAY D'ARTAGNAN HEARS THE HOISES OF A STRUGGLE IN THE FLOOR BELOW. HE LIFTS UP A LOOSE FLOOR BOARD CAUTIOUS-LY AND LOOKS INTO THE FLOOR BELOW



URING THE NEXT WEEK THE BONACIEUX HOUSE HOLD WAS TURNED INTO A "MOUSETRAP." A"MOUSETRAP" WORKS SOME-THING LIKE THIS - AN INDIVIDUAL IS ART RESTED AND HIS ARREST IS KEPT SECRET FOUR OR FIVE MEN ARE PLACED IN AMBUSH WITHIN THE POOR IS OPENED TO EVERY-ONE WHO KNOCKS AND THEN CLOSED UPON THEM. THUS IN A FEW DAYS ALL FAMILIARS OF THE HOUSEHOLD ARE CAUGHT

DURING THIS WEEK EITHER D'ARTAG -NAN OR PLANCHET, HIS LACKEY, WATCHED THROUGH THE PEEP HOLE IN THE FLOOR



PLANCHET, D'ARTAGNAH'S NEWLY ACQUIRED



D'ARTAGNAN DASHES TO THE WINDOW



CUMBING DOWN FROM THE SECOND STORY D'ARTAGNAN KNOCKS ON THE DOOR



THE DOOR OPENS AND DARTAGNAN BOUNDS IN! THE NEXT FEW MINUTES THE DOOR OF THE MOUSE TRAP BULGES ON ITS HINGES -CURSES AND SCREAMS POURING OUT! THEN ...



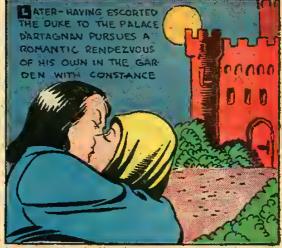












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OUR GALLANT CONDUCT OF THE FUTURE! WE START TOMORROW FOR LONDON! A SECRET MISSION FOR THE QUEEN, ATHOS! PLANCHET WILL BUY HORSES AND MUSKETS FOR ALL OF US A DOZEN BOTTLES FOR TONIGHT!

BRAVO! DANGER AND WINE! A PEERLESS COMBINATION TO MAKE THE PAST GROWDIM!

EARLY THE NEXT MORNING THE POUR FRIENDS
AND THEIR LACKEYS LEAVE PARIS, EIGHT
O'CLOCK FINDS THEM AT CHANTILLY WHERE
THEY STOP FOR BREAKFAST. THEY ENTER
THE INN. A GENTLEMAN, DRUNK, GREETS THEMHO! GENTLEMEN! WASH
YOU SHAY WE HAVE
A DRINK? HIC!
TO THE
KING!



HO! HO! LOOK AT THESE
FANCY FELLOUS - MORRIEU!
ARE THEY MEN OR THE
FIRST PLOWERS
OF SPRING?

THE TRAVELERS CONTINUE THEIR





























D'ARTAGNAN ALONE.

REMAINS TO SAVE

THE QUEEN! CAN

HE DO IT?

WILL THE BEAUTIPUL

MILADY THWART

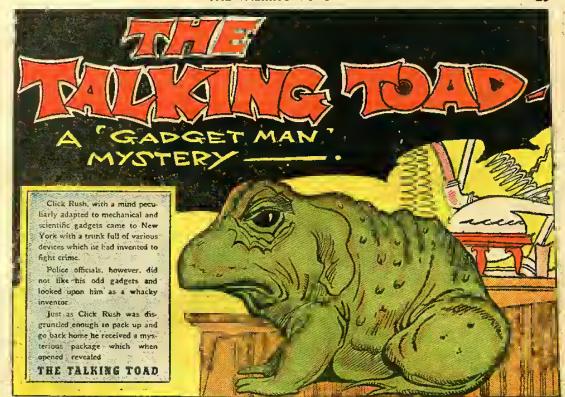
HIM IN LONDON?

ARE THE MUSKE
TEERS LIVING OR

DEAD?

READ THE NEXT.

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CLICK RUSH,
OPENING HIS
OFFICE ONE
FINE SPRING
MORNING
FINDS, TO HIS
AMAZEMENT
A VERY ODD
RECEPTIONIST,
A THREE
FOOT
METAL TOAD
ON HIS DESK,

HELLO/-YOU LOOK LIKE A 'PARTY FAVOR' WHO LEFT YOU HERE ?



IT SAT ON HIS DESK, — UNDER IT WAS A PAPER, THE HALF CIA \$10,000 BILL, — AND A NOTE READING, - PUT AN ELECTRIC BULB



CLICK,
BEING ONE
OF THE
INVENTIVE
SORT, HAD
A PORTABLE
DEVICE
IN HIS
BACK OFFICE
AND
X-RAYED
THE
TOAD -

H'M I HEAR THE FAINT CLICK OF A THERMOSTAT, IT MEANS ONLY ONE THING-THIS LITTLE TOAD IS A WIRED RADIO TRANSCEIVER!



TAKE
THE
HIGH
FREQUENCY
WAVES
OFF THE
ELECTRIC
LIGHT
WIRES
AS AN
ORDINARY
RADIO.

HELLO, YOU ARE





I'M THINKING OF HIRING A PRIVATE DETECTIVE TO INVESTIGATE CRIME, -DON'T YOU WANT TO WORK FOR ME? WOULD THE OTHER HALF OF THAT \$ 10,000 BILL INTEREST YOU?



PAPER ON THE PAGE FLARED THIS HEAD LINE -



WHILE RUSH WAS READING THIS THE DOOR OPENED. A VERY BEAUTI-FUL GIRL STOOD THERE.



COME IN - I'M GLAD YOU CAME, GLAD TO FIND SOMETHING THAT LOOKS SENSIBLE, SOMETHING MORE SENSIBLE THAN STAINLESS STEEL FISH, - WHY DID YOU COME HERE?



WHERE YOU COULD FIND THE STAINLESS STEEL FISH /



THEN. RUSH EXCUSING HIMSELF FOR THE MOMENT, GOES TO THE OUTER WHERE THERE-IS A MACHINE CONNECTEO WITH THE CHAIR



OH BY THE WAY, MISS JUNE, DIDN'T A MAN PHONE AND SAY THAT I WAS INTERESTED IN STEEL FISH?

YES, - AND HE SAID HE WAS BUFA, - SOUNDED CRAZY



WELL, NEVER MINO, I AM INTERESTED IN FISH AND I WILL CALL TO-MORROW AT WHATEVER ADDRESS YOU GIVE ! MEET ME TO-MORROW AT 42 ENGLEWOOD ROAD AT THREE!

CLICK ESCORTS HER TO THE ELEVATOR ANDON

HE DOUBLES BACK, AND BY WAY OF THE BACK

THIS IS SERGEANT HARRISON,-LOSING I'M ON A MURDER CASE, - I JUNE'S WANT TO KNOW WHO LIVES AT WASHINGTON 2-2147? CABIN



FOLLOW THAT CAB! YELLOW CAB CO.



A BIT OF FRESH AIR WON'T

WHERE WE GO FROM HERE!

HURT ME, - LET'S SEE

THAT, SERGEANT, -IS A MR. PATRICK O'REILLY OF 112 NORTH DAVIS STREET!



A PRETENSE EXCUSES HIMSELF

STAIRS -

CLICK GOT INTO HIS CAB AND WENT TO THE ADDRESS GIVEN, THERE HE SNEAKED INTO THE HOUSE BY A BASEMENT WINDOW



SO THESE ARE THE WELL-KNOWN STAINLESS STEEL FISH - H'M. -MUCH HEAVIER THAN I SUSPECTED!



WONDERFUL SPECIMEN, DON'T YOU THINK? - WON'T YOU JOIN US IN THE NEXT ROOM?



THERE, CLICK SAW THE GIRL WHO WAS IN HIS OFFICE, AND A LARGE LEATHERY MAN, BOTH WERE LASHED TO THEIR CHAIRS —



AND HE'S GOING TO



MY FRIENDS, THESE FISH ARE GOLD THEY'RE SO PREPARED THAT THEY CAN GET
BY IN ANY CUSTOM HOUSE IN ANY COUNTRY-



I USE THEM AS A FOIL, - I AM
MERELY TELLING YOU THIS BECAUSE
THIS OLD HOUSE IS VACANT AND
NO ONE WILL FIND YOU HERE
UNTIL I AM SAFELY AWAY /



CLICK THEN ASKS FOR A LAST CIGAR-ETTE.

HE IS GRANTED ONE ALWAYS THE PERFECT /



AS HE STRIKES THE MATCH THERE'S A DEAFENING REPORT FOR THE MATCH WAS A CLEVERLY MOLDED COLORED CHEMICAL





IN THE
FIGHT THAT
FOLLOWED,
CLICK
HELD
ONE
CROOK'S
NECK AND
THEN LET
GO, - THE
MAN
BECAME
DOPED.





THE
CHEMICALLY
FILLED
HYPODERMIC
NEEDLE
STRAPPED
TO HIS
WRIST
SOON
SENT
O'REILLY
TO THE
LAND OF
NOD
ALSO-









AFTER
HIS CATCH
IS SAFELY
BOOKED
AS GUESTS
OF THE
CITY,
CLICK
PAYS A
VISIT TO
HIS OLD
FRIEND, THE
COMMISSION
ER-



THEN BY A CHEMICAL BATH PROCESS, WHICH HE ALONE KNEW,— HE'D MAKE THE FISH SHED THEIR SKINS, SO TO SPEAK, AND SELL THE GOLD TO THE HIGHEST FOREIGN BIDDER /





SKIP THE MEDALS COMMISSION ER. I'LL BE SEEING YOU!





BACK
IN HIS
OFFICE
CLICK
PLACES
THE
ELECTRIC
LIGHT
INTO IT'S
MOUTH
AND THE
TOAD
SAYS,

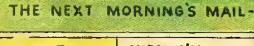
















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CARLISLE AND I WILL INVES-TIGATE THIS FIELD THE TEFF-LANS HAVE PROJECTED. SIGNING OFF.



AND AFTER HOURS OF PAINSTAKING WORK AT THE INSTRUMENTS.

I'VE GOT IT, SPENCE!

THE FIELD IS ELECTRICAL

HIGH WAVE-LENGTH.
THE METAL IN OUR
SHIPS INDUCES THE
VIBRATION, WHICH IS
SUPERSONIC. IT WORKS





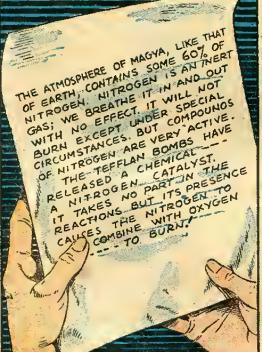




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SPENCER CARLISLE.
A GREAT CHEMIST,
IS RIGHT SLOWLY
THE AIR IS BECOMING POISONOUS,
THE MOISTURE IN
THE AIR TURNS
TO CIT THE TIT
TO DEADLY REDBROWN FUMES
OF NITRIC OXIDE
AND OTHER
NITRO
COMPOUNDS















AFTER THEM COME GROUND CREWS WITH SUN-POWERED HEAT GUNS. THEY BLAST THE SNOW AND IT BREAKS DOWN NTO AIR AGAIN.



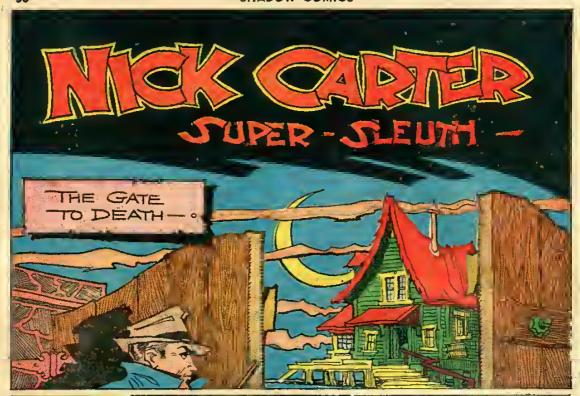








CAN IRON USE THE MOON AS A BOMB? IT WILL BE THE MIGHTIEST MILITARY HISTORY IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF SHADOW COMICS



AT LAST,
NICK CARTER
TOOK THE
ADVICE OF
HIS FRIENDS,—
HE WENT TO
A LITTLE
SOUTHERN
SEASHORE
TOWN FOR A
GOOD REST,—
HE TRIED TO
DOING NOTHING,
THEN ONE MORNING.



WHAT'S UP, SHERIFF-?

YOU'RE THE CITY FELLER

STAYIN' OVER TO TH' HOTEL

AINT YOU?—I'VE GOT A JOB

FOR YOU—/



WHAT IS IT?

A BODY WAS FOUND WASHED UP ON OL' ALTMEYER'S PLACE, I NEED A DEPUTY, AN' WITNESS!



COME ON, I'LL PAY YOU THREE DOLLARS A DAY,—A LITTLE DETECTIVIN'LL HELP PASS THE TIME FOR YOU / WELL I'M.— OH;— OKAY,

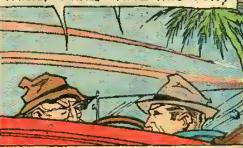


MAY BE NOTHIN, BUT I DUNNO, YOUNG COUPLE FOUND THE STIFF THIS MORNING WHEN THEY PUT IN TO PATCH A LEAK IN



PROBABLY JUST SOME SAILOR FALLEN OFF A PASSING SHIP __ /

COULD BE, BUT ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS AROUND ALTMEYER'S PLACE IS LIABLE T'BE FISHY, HE'S GOT A TOUGH REPUTATION IN THESE PARTS,—HERE,—TAKE THIS GUN / ...



OLD MAN ALTMEYER IS SOME-THING OF A HERMIT — WE SEE HIM ONLY TWICE A MONTH,—WHEN HE COMES IN FOR GROCERIES— WE'VE GOT TO GET THE KEYS TO THE BEACH FROM ALTMEYER.



GET OUT OF HERE ! - IM NOT INTERESTED IN ANYTHING YOU HAVE TO SAY-

YOU BETTER BE, ALTMEYER, THERE'S A DEAD MAN ON THE BEACH, WE WANT THE KEYS!



FINALLY GAINING ENTRANCE, NICK, AND THE SHERIFF EXAMINE THE BODY OF THE DROWNED MAN — 6

THIS, SHERIFF, -IS NOT A SAILOR,-IT'S A CITY MAN, AND A RICH MAN AT THAT,-H'M-

FIRST THING YOU'VE GOT TO LEARN
ABOUT DETECTIVIN', YOUNG FELLER, IS NOT
TO TOUCH NOTHIN'—WAIT A WHILE, -I'LL
GET MY CAMERA—







LISTEN, SHERIFF, - I MIGHT AS WELL TELL YOU, - I'M NICK CARTER - SEND HIS FINGERPRINTS INTO NEW YORK, -I'LL STOP HERE AND LOOK AROUND



I'VE GOT OLD ALTMEYER'S KEYS SO I MIGHT AS WELL USE THEM, -HE LOOKS VERY MUCH ON THE SUSPICIOUS SIDE













ALL RIGHT, NICK CARTER,
GET EM UP!
HEH, YOU KNOW ME?
WHAT THUG DONT
KNOW NICK CARTER?

TAKE HIM THROUGH THE CAVE UNDER.
THE BEACH, SLUG, THEN WE'LL TOSS
HIM INTO THE CATBOAT, AND, CARTER,
KEEP YOURSELF SHUT—



GIVE IT EVERYTHING IT'S GOT SLUG, — OLD ALTMEYER WANTS TO HIT FOR OPEN WATER ON THE NEXT TIDE, AND HE'S / WAITING FOR US ABOARD —.



THAT'S THE SET-UP PRECISELY MY FINE FEATHERED FRIEND, - A COUNTERFEIT MILL AND WE MAKE LIBERTY BONDS — LEGALLY, — YEP, - OUTSIDE THE TWELVE MILE LIMIT, - AND WE DIDN'T KILL YOU BECAUSE WE NEED YOU, A FAMOUS MAN LIKE YOU COULD GET MARKETS FOR THESE BONDS RIGHT, OUT IN THE OPEN, - THE PROFITS ARE TREMENDOUS, - AND IT'S LEGAL





BUT ONCE INSIDE THE CABIN THE SICK NICK GETS WELL SUDDENLY-



NOW WITH A SPEEDY MAKE-UP WE'LL CHANGE PLACES, -FOR THE REST OF THIS TRIP YOU'RE NICK CARTER, BUDDY ALTMEYER, -WHILE



OKAY SAILOR, I'LL TAKE THE WHEEL FOR AWHILE, GET SOME SLEEP! YES SIR, MR STEERING



SHE WAS - FROM NOW ON SHE'S STEERING SOUTH-WEST - BACK INSIDE THE TWELVE



BEAT IT, SPARKS, I WANT TO SEND A RADIOGRAM --- PRIVATELY



NICK'S RADIOGRAM IS INSTANTLY PICKED UP BY COASTGUARD CUTTERS. - HE HAS MANEUVERED THE COUNTERPEITING SHIP INSIDE GOVERNMENT WATERS, A LANDING PARTY OF U.S. MARINES CLAMBER.

CAUGHT RED-HANDED, ALTMEYER AND HIS GANG ARE INSTANTLY CONVICTED ON FEDERAL CHARGES AND SENTENCED - FOR KEEPS O

SURRENDER IN THE NAME. GOVERNMENT ..

THIS IS PIRACY. WE'RE OUTSIDE YOUR JURISDICTION

SPLENDID WORK MR . CARTER -WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW!



WELL MY YACATION'S OVER NOW I'LL GO BACK TO WORK!





JOHN BRAUN'S DEATH WAS CAUSED BY A MYSTERIOUS POWDER.
BENSON, THE AVENGER, SCENTED A PLOT AND STARTED TO INVESTIGATE, OTHER THINGS WERE HAPPENING, VISHNIR, THE CHEMIST, KILLED HIS PARTNER, TARGILL PUTTING THE BLAME ON MR. SANGAMAN, ANOTHER PARTNER. —

WHOSE DAUGHTER CLAUDETTE,
PERSUADED BENSON TO WIDEN
THE SCOPE OF HIS INVESTIGATION, IT CAME OUT THAT
VISHNIR WOULD RECEIVE
\$1,000,000 ON THE DEATH OF
TAYLOR, ONE OF HIS PARTNERS,
AND \$19,000,000 FROM A
FOREIGN NATION FOR HIS
THUSTED DEATH FOWDER.













TO VISHNIR EVERYTHING











BENSON SEARCHED ONE OF THE STUNNED GUNMEN AND FOUND PASSPORTS AND AN ADDRESS THAT MEANT MUCH.



BENSON, IN THE CLOTHES OF THE STUNNED PLOTTER STARTS OUT DISGUISED AS ONE OF VISHNER'S HEAD MEN.



DISGUISED IN THE CLOTHES OF THE STUNNED GANGSTER.
BENSON WAS TAKEN FOR ONE OF VISHNIR'S PLOTTERS.
OVERHEARING A PHONE CALL, HIS CASE WAS CLINCHED





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THE \$100.000 GRAFT MONEY FOR MICHALSON IS SPRINKLED WITH THE FROSTED DEATH POWDER.



INTENT ON GETTING POSITIVE EVIDENCE AGAINST VISHNIR, BENSON IS FOUND INTHE ROOMS OF MICHALSON. THE BLACKMAILER.

WHO ARE YOU!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE!

I WANT YOU TO TELL ME ALL YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS SINISTER VISHNIR AND HIS PLOTTING!

DOING HERE!

EVIDENCE OF DEATH POWDER.

BENSON'S KNIFE FLEW DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO MICHALSON'S FAR. IT HELPED SHORTEN THE ARGUMENT.





MICHALSON FEARFUL OF THE EFFECTS
OF THE DEATH POWDER, QUICKLY
THROWS AWAY THE \$100.000 GRAFT.



MACAND JOSH ESCAPE FROM THEIR BONDS AND PLOT REVENGE ON THEIR SINISTER TORTURERS.







THE TERRIFIED SLAVES OF VISHNIR, SMASH DOWN THE LOCKED DOOR, SAVING MAC AND JOSH FROM BEING ROASTED



BENSON'S INVESTIGATION
BRINGS HIM TO SANGAMANS
IM NOT HERE TO HIDEOUT.
ARREST YOU WELL I'VE REE

ARREST YOU SANGAMAN I JUST EXPECTING THE POLICE IF YOU DON'T WANT TO



SO VISHNIR KILLED

AFTER ALL THESE
STRANGE THINGS
YOU TELL ME, I'M
SURE VISHNIR IS
THE MURDERER.

BRAUN TARGILL AND
TRIED TO KILL ME
AND MY DAUGHTER!
INSURANCE WAS TO GO TO
VISHNIR .SO HE KILLED
HIM WITH THE FROSTED
DEATH POWDER!!







THE SEA COCKS, AND WITH A SPLASH IT WENT TO THE BOTTOM

BUT, BENSON ESCAPED ALIVE, HE

SWAM OUT TO THE SUB OPENED

A SECRET RADIO TOLD VISHNIR OF THE SCUTTLING OF THE SUB WITH \$19.000,000 CARGO, HE HUR-RIED TO THE HIDEOUT, WHERE BENSON CORNERED HIM

VOGS, THERE IS A PLOT
TO ROB US, COME HIDE
BEFORE THEY CATCH
US!!

WY MEN!!

VISHNIR WAS DOSED WITH THE DEATH POWDER, IN A FRENZY HE RAN INTO THE BURNING SHACK FOR SOME OF THE CURE, AND THE











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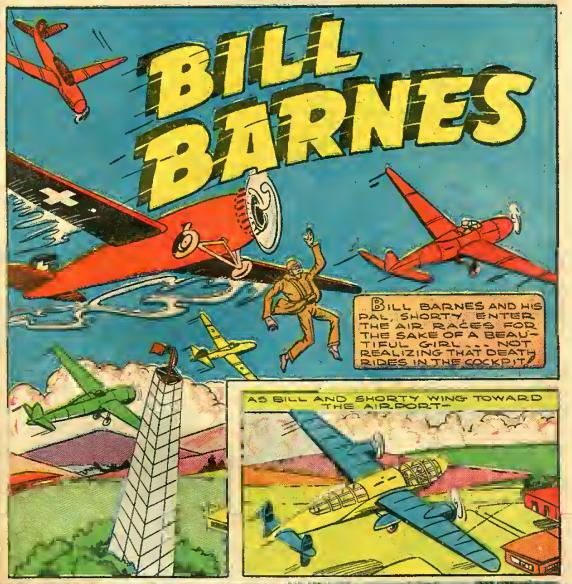






































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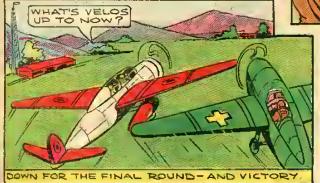
































BILL ANDRTY SHORT SHADOW COMICS.



Shown them, a dick produces the killeri

UTOMATICALLY, Herb Hart drove the big Intercity bus through the heavy downpour. He was grinning to himself, thinking about the chess tournament and how he planned to beat the pants off his old detective chum, Bill Rork.

A man who had been waiting in the rain sprang into the bus.

"How far you going?" Herb asked without thinking.

"All the way."

"Then you'll have to transfer later I go only as far as the Old Barracks. Here's your transfer ticket."

Soon he came to the Old Barracks. "It's the end," he sang out. "All out!"

"You're right, mister, growled the last passenger "It's the end—for you. Shell

A stinging sensation rifled through his brain-and that was all.

DETECTIVE BILL RORK was waiting at the town hall for Herb Hart to arrive.

"Hey, Rork!" cried a man, "There's a call for you. Head quarters!"

Slowly, Bill ambled to the phone, almost reluctantly.

"Listen, Bill," said his boss, "Herb's dead-shot through the head!"

Roughly, the crime had been committed at eleven minutes after eight: twelve minutes before the second bus reached the Barracks.

"Well?" asked Cap Springer. "Another stick-up, cap. I've been going over the day's take. Twenty-nine dollars and thirty cents was all Herb took in. This

was a two-man job!"

Bill Rork compared the "In" column with the one marked "Out." His fingers flexed nervously on the metal puncher that had been looped to Herb's leather belt by a chain. Now it was time to act.

First, Rork stopped at Vic's Tavern. He motioned to Butts Newberry and Charlie Krauss, and took them into the back room for questioning.

Next he barged into Tony's joint. He lined up Johnny Rice, Al Whitey, Muggs Mac-Grath, three local "boys.

He ordered them to turn out their pockets. Rice balked, and Rork jolted him with a left.

He quit the joint and ducked into an alley and watched the and opened the door. One suit front of Tony's dive.

When the man reached the light on the corner, Rork saw it was Johnny Rice. It was to be the tip-off!

Rice stopped at the corner, then charged up the flight of steps.

Rork followed noiselessly, slithered through the door and into the dimly lighted vestibule,

Rork tensed as he beard knuckles rapping hastily on the door, bringing a muffled query, Rice answered:

"Open up, Frankie! It's me -Johnny.

Flat against the wall, the detective heard the squeak of hinges as the door opened.

Going to it, Rork leaned an ear to the crack. Rice was

talking.

"That dick Rork is out hunting again, Frankie. He had us dump our pockets on Tony's pool table. You ain't got noth-

That was all Rork cared to hear. His body smashed into the door.

"Get dressed, Frankie," said Rork simply. "The three of us are going to headquarters.

Rork wheeled to the closet was hanging there. It was still





By MILTON LOWE

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"No wonder I couldn't get the stick-up victims to give a good description of the punk who was pulling those jobs," Rork said tersely. "You and Frankie changed off. Tonight was Frankie's time at the gun end, while you were in the car. You drove him from the Old Barracks!"

Sweat rolled down the lanky hood's face, and he laughed shrilly. "We were in the pool-room until fifteen minutes ago! Then I came home to sleep—"

Rork snapped at him; "Stop lying! The Old Barracks is pretty far out of the way. The man who killed the bus driver. Herb Hart, couldn't walk here, and he didn't take the next bus. So he must have been picked up by an automobile right after the killing."

"That's all guesswork," Rice growled. "The guy who did the job might still be walking, for all I know."

Rork silenced him with a cold glare. "I went the rounds tonight, frisking all possible suspects. At the same time I felt their clothes and looked at their shoes. MacGrath, Whitey, Krass and Newberry had not been out in the rain for hours.

Their shoes and clothes were bone-dry. You and Frankie must have been out in the rain because your clothes and shoes prove it. And it stopped raining more than an hour ago!"

Slowly, he picked up the still damp trousers and began to go through the pockets.

"I'll call the station and get the captain and wagon up here -for this paper proves you killed Herb Hart!"

When the captain came in Bill explained:

"Frankie got scared when I started to go through his trousers pockets. You see, captain, I checked Hart's records and day's 'take' carefully. I found out he had issued one transfer on his last trip—the fatal one."

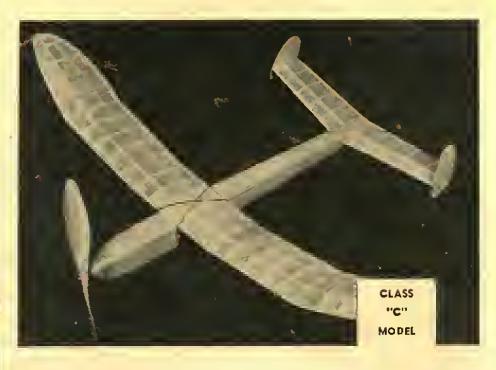
The detective pointed a finger at the piece of yellow bus transfer in his hand.

"Each bus driver has his own transfer punch, and each of them differs. One driver punches a square, still another makes a triangle. Herb Hart always punched a blocked T."

"You couldn't have punched this ticket, Bill, because—" said the captain.

The detective finished the statement: "Because right this minute Herb Hart's transfer punch is down at headquarters, marked in evidence. You yourself brought it down there, Skipper. This is Frankie's ticket to the electric chair."





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